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Karl E. Morrison, District Officer
319 Marine Bank Building, Erie, Pa.

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Girard, Erie County, Pennsylvania

Owner.

Hutchinson Family. 155 Main Street, Girard, Pennsylvania.

Date of Erection

Approximately 1830.

Architect

Unknown.

Builder

Unknown.

Present Condition

Very good.

Number of Stories:

Two, with attic and basement.

Materials of Construction:

Brick, wood, tin, etons.

Other Existing Records:

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The Hutchinson residence is located at 155 Main Street, Girard, Erie County, Pennsylvania. The older part of this house was probably erected in 1830. The structure has been remodeled to such an extent that the charm of the antiquity of the building has been almost lost. Here and there some of the former beauty attracts the attention. The exterior of the south elevation has suffered least in the modernizing. And perhaps the stairway the least in the interior of this residence.

The side of the house faces the Main Street of Girard, Erie County, Pennsylvania. The gable ends being to east and west. It has the traditional colonial front entrance placed in the exact center of the elevation, reached by two cement steps. This doorway is 8' 4" wide, having two wooden half columns on each side of the opening and two more in the corners of the opening, with panels composed of one-third wooden panel at the bottom and two-thirds modern leaded glass, top portion. A sandstone sill finishes the bottom, and the top of the door-way has an elliptical arch showing Egyptian influence, with a noticeable beaded moulding enclosing a glass transom, fan style, fitted with modern leaded glass. The door is an eight panel door, the panels being various sizes. There are two windows on each side of the doorway of the first floor and five windows on the second floor, all fitted with shutters. The window frames are two sash frames.

From the front door a central hall runs through the house from south to north, having four doors opening out of it, one to the parlor, one to the sitting room, one to the front door and one to the rear opening into the den. A colonial stairway rises from this hall to the second story. There are two fire-places, one in the parlor and one in the sitting room, laid up, however with well matched new modern brick. Farther back toward the north on the first floor are two small halls, the den, breakfast room, dining room, kitchen, several closets and smaller store rooms, with a long wooden porch extending along one side of the house.

The second floor has six bedrooms, front and rear hall and bath. A chimney is located on each end of the older portion of this house. The roof is tin with raised joints. The foundation is of stone. There are two stories, attic and basement.

The occupant of this residence was Judge Myron Hutchinson who married in his native state of New York, Miss Nancy Wells, born June 12, 1792, the daughter of Joseph Wells who contributed much to the advancement and welfare of the town of Girard. Judge Hutchinson died August 1859, his wife died March 4, 1879. They had four daughters and

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two sons. Monroe Hutchinson, a son of Judge Hutchinson was captain of the Girard guards and in April, 1861 offered the services of himself and company to the government. This company became Company C of Col. John McLane's regiment, the first regiment to go to the front in the Civil War from Erie County.

There are no especial historical incidents connected with this residence.

Anne Scott Baxter

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